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13 February 1980Extract from the Staff Meeting Minutes of 13 February 1980:

The Director reported yesterday's 1981 Program and Budget Authorization hearings at the HPSCI went well. He said, however, he needs to provide additional information to the Committee on staffing in the Operations Directorate. While noting the Directorate's 1981 position strength is adequate, the Director said additional data are needed by the HPSCI re DO overseas position strength, particularly in Latin America and Africa Divisions. McMahon explained added positions in these areas were taken from Headquarters strength. Citing a memorandum he has forwarded to the Director, McMahon said the DO cannot function adequately at its current overall strength--since preparation of the 1981 budget, increased tasking especially in covert action coupled with errors in previous calculations of DO cutbacks has raised the need for additional positions. The Director said he will deal with this separately, but that he remains firm in terms of the 1981 program level. The Director asked Fitzwater to provide him with statistics re the Bill Wells' [redacted] reduction--statistics are to include reductions by component and grade levels in order to remove HPSCI confusion re positions versus people. [redacted]

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